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**MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450



Re: Application of Tomoe ARUGA  
FIXING RUBBER ROLLER, FIXING DEVICE AND IMAGE FORMING  
APPARATUS INCORPORATING THE SAME  
Assignee: **SEIKO EPSON CORPORATION**  
Our Ref. **Q79601**

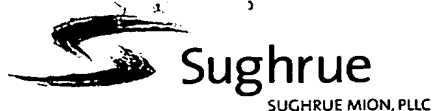
Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising fifty-two(52) sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, and fourteen (14) sheets of drawings.

**The requisite U.S. Government Filing Fee, copies of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and the Assignment will be submitted at a later date. Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement and PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified).**

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	<u>40</u>	-	20	=	<u>20</u>	x	\$18.00	=	<u>\$360.00</u>
Independent claims	<u>11</u>	-	3	=	<u>8</u>	x	\$86.00	=	<u>\$688.00</u>
Base Fee									<u>\$770.00</u>
<b>TOTAL FEE</b>									<u><b>\$1,818.00</b></u>



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Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
JAPAN	2003-018292	January 28, 2003
JAPAN	2003-021700	January 30, 2003
JAPAN	2003-021701	January 30, 2003
JAPAN	2003-034897	February 13, 2003

The priority documents will be filed at a later date.

Respectfully submitted,  
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